

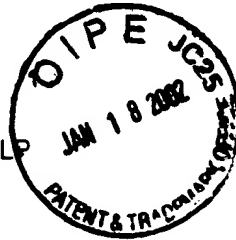


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- (2) a check in the amount of \$130.00 in payment of the surcharge of 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e);
- (3) a copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) of Application of the above patent application;
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